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# United States District Court

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EASTERN

DISTRICT OF

MICHIGAN

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

**CRIMINAL COMPLAINT**

CASE NUMBER:

**08-30158**

- D-1: ELIAS GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO  
D-2: CARLOS FRANCISCO VASQUEZ VALERIANO  
D-3: JULIO ADRIAN DUENAS-SANCHEZ  
D-4: JASIEL ALEJO VILLARREAL-SILVA  
D-5: RAMON MANUEL ISIORDIA  
D-6: ERNESTO GUTIERREZ VILLAVAZO

I, the undersigned complainant being duly sworn state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On or about March 26, 2008 in Wayne county, in the Eastern District of Michigan defendant(s) did, (Track Statutory Language of Offense)

knowingly, intentionally and illegally conspire to possess with intent to distribute Cocaine, a Schedule II Controlled Substance, and Marijuana, A Schedule I Controlled Substance

in violation of Title 21 United States Code, Section(s) 841(a)(1) & 846

I further state that I am a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

(SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT)

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part hereof:

Yes       No

*SA OJ*  
Signature of Complainant

SPECIAL AGENT MICHAEL JOHNS  
DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,

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March 28, 2008

Date

at Detroit, Michigan

City and State

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R. STEVEN WHALEN

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United States Magistrate Judge

Name &amp; Title of Judicial Officer

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Signature of Judicial Officer

## AFFIDAVIT

Affiant, Special Agent Michael Johns, being duly sworn, deposes and states the following:

1. Affiant is a special Agent of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for approximately the past 5 ½ years. Affiant is a law enforcement officer empowered to conduct investigations and make arrests for narcotic violations of Title 21, United States Code.
2. In early March of 2008, the Livonia Police Department (LPD) Intelligence Bureau received information from a cooperating individual hereinafter referred to as "CI" who wished to remain anonymous. This individual stated that at the U-Lock Storage Units located at 6130 Rawsonville Road Belleville, MI. he/she suspected that a group of individuals of Hispanic descent were possibly involved with storing illegal items/drugs within the storage units that they had rented inside the complex. CI provided storage unit numbers #G22, #C25, and #A35. CI stated that the aforelisted storage units were rented in the names of Julio DUENAS-SANCHEZ (Unit #A35), Juan ORTEGA (Unit#C25) and Jaime JIMENEZ (Unit#G22).
3. Based upon this information the LPD began an investigation which resulted in the identification and information on Julio Adrian Duenas-Sanchez, DOB XX/XX/1986 with an address of 4498 Pitch Pine LN Apt.1B in Ypsilanti, Jaime Jimenez DOB XX/XX/1975 with an address of 3866 Clippert Detroit, MI., and Juan Ortega DOB XX/XX/1980 with an address 4638 W. Maple St. Cicero, Il. LPD performed checks with the Secretary of State and Department of Corrections. LPD was able to verify the identities of Jimenez and Duenas-Sanchez with the Michigan Secretary of State. LPD and DEA were unable to locate Juan Ortega through law enforcement indices. It appears that although Juan Ortega presented an Illinois operators license bearing his name and a photograph of his likeness, the absence of an official record with the Illinois Secretary of State is indicative of the fact that the subject utilizing the Illinois operators license, in the name of Juan Ortega, presented fraudulent identification for the purpose of renting storage unit C25.
4. It is LPD P.O. Kingsbury's training and experience that persons involved in the trafficking of controlled substances often utilize rented storage sheds to facilitate the trafficking of controlled substances. It's LPD P.O. Kingsbury's training and experience, that persons utilizing such facilities will often rent the storage shed under an assumed name and/or often rent several different storage sheds in several different name to minimize their exposure to detection and seizure of controlled substances by law enforcement.
5. The LPD stated that on March 25, 2008, officers of the LPD Intelligence Bureau seized approximately 20 pounds of marijuana from an individual who was

observed by LPD meeting with Julio Duenas-Sanchez after Julio Duenas-Sanchez had accessed the Maple Village Self Storage. A subpoena was served on Maple Village Self Storage facility by S/A Michael Johns of DEA Detroit which revealed that Julio Duenas-Sanchez is the lessee of storage unit #805 at Maple Village Self Storage located at 415 N. Maple of Ann Arbor, MI.

6. On March 14, 2008, LPD conducted surveillance on U-Lock Storage Units along with the address of 4498 Pitch Pine. LPD observed a grey Chevy Z-71 pick-up bearing Michigan registration plate 5HYF21 parked in front of 4498 Pitch Pine. LPD performed a LEIN/SOS check on the license plate, which revealed it to be registered to Ernesto Gutierrez Villavazo 10/07/1976 at 1037 Georgina Ypsilanti, MI.
7. On March 24, 2008, LPD conducted surveillance on 4498 Pitch Pine and 4897 Cedarview Ypsilanti, MI. 4897 Cedarview had been identified as a location frequented by the subjects and is in the same apartment complex as 4498 Pitch Pine. The following is a chronological list of events during the surveillance.
8. On March 24, 2008, the LPD observed the Chevy Z-71 pick-up bearing Michigan registration plate 5HYF21 was parked in front of 4498 Pitch Pine.
9. On March 24, 2008, the LPD observed a black 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan registration plate 9JQK34, which is registered to Carlos Alfonso Menijvar-Lopez DOB XX/XX/1986 at 571 Woodlawn Ave Ypsilanti, MI was parked in front of 4897 Cedarview.
10. On March 24, 2008 at 12:58 p.m., the LPD observed a black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 driving in the area of 4498 Pitch Pine.
11. On March 24, 2008, at 1:10 p.m., the LPD observed an unknown Hispanic male get into the Chevy Z-71 pick-up bearing Michigan registration plate 5HYF21 and drive away from 4498 Pitch Pine followed by P.O. Heinonen.
12. On March 24, 2008, at 1:12 p.m., the LPD observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 arrive in the parking lot of 4498 Pitch Pine driven by a Hispanic male with an unknown passenger. LPD observed the passenger exit the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and get into a tan Jeep Cherokee bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803 that had been parked in the parking lot.
13. On March 24, 2008, at 1:14 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803, drive away. Members of the surveillance crew follow both vehicles away under close and constant surveillance.

14. On March 24, 2008 at 1:20 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and the Chevy Z-71 pick-up bearing Michigan registration plate 5HYF21 both arrive and park in the driveway of 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI.
15. On March 24, 2008 at 1:27 p.m., LPD observed the tan Jeep Cherokee bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803 arrive at the maple Village Shopping center. The LPD further observed the Hispanic male driver exit and walk inside the Kmart. The LPD followed the driver inside Kmart where he was observed purchasing Zip-Loc style bags, which is consistent with LPD P.O. Kingsbury's training and experience as being used for the packaging and the distribution of controlled substances.
16. On March 24, 2008 at 1:28 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 leave 6368 Crane and P.O. McKinley. followed it under close and constant surveillance. LPD observed a Hispanic male driving the Honda.
17. On March 24, 2008 at 1:43 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 arrive at 1035 N. Maple Ann Arbor, MI. LPD also observed in the driveway a 2000 Lincoln LS bearing Michigan license plate BWV0869, which is registered to Carlos Alfonso Menjivar-Lopez at 571 Woodlawn Ave. Ypsilanti, MI. This vehicle had also been observed on previous occasions parked in front of 4897 Cedarview. LPD observed the driver of the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 exit wearing a  $\frac{3}{4}$  length black leather jacket and a black hat. LPD observed the driver walk up to and knock on the side door of 1035 Maple.
18. On March 24, 2008, at 1:48 p.m., LPD observed the Hispanic male return to the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, and get in the drivers side. Within a few minutes another Hispanic male exited 1035 S. Maple and got into the passenger side of the black Honda. The black Honda drove away, followed under close and constant surveillance by LPD.
19. On March 24, 2008, at 1:57 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, arrive in the Kmart parking lot and park next to the tan Jeep Cherokee bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803. The passenger of the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, later identified as Julio Duenas-Sanchez by the LPD, exited the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92. He got into the drivers seat of the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803, which was parked originally by the Hispanic male driver that was seen buying the Zip-Loc bags in Kmart by LPD. LPD was still watching the Hispanic male from the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803 who was sitting in a chair in the vestibule talking on his cell phone. The black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan

registration plate BBF9803, drove away from the Kmart parking lot between some businesses followed by the LPD. The surveillance crew temporally lost sight of both vehicles near the Maple Village Self Storage Unit.

20. On March 24, 2008, at 2:05 p.m., LPD observed the tan Jeep Cherokee bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803 and the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 exiting from the Maple Village Self Storage Unit, located at 415 N. Maple Ann Arbor, MI., next to the parking lot of Kmart and return to the Kmart parking lot.
21. On March 24, 2008, at 2:06 p.m., LPD observed the Hispanic male leave the vestibule and return to the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803, in the parking lot. LPD observed Julio Duenas-Sanchez exit the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803 and get back into the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92. The black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803, both drive away each followed under close and constant surveillance by members of the surveillance crew.
22. On March 24, 2008, at 2:42 p.m., the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803, was followed to the area of I-275 and Six Mile where a probable cause traffic stop was initiated by uniformed LPD P.O. Arakelian in a marked patrol unit. LPD P.O. Arakelian recovered approximately 20 pounds of suspected marijuana from inside the tan Jeep Cherokee, bearing Michigan registration plate BBF9803. The driver was identified as Martin Partida-Lopez H/M XX/XX/1985 and was placed under arrest for PWID Marijuana. A portion of the suspected marijuana was subsequently field tested by LPD Sgt. McKeon, which resulted in a positive response for the presence of Marijuana. During the time of the traffic stop, other surveillance officers followed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 back to 1035 N. Maple Ann Arbor, MI. LPD observed Julio Duenas-Sanchez exit the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, and go back into 1035 S. Maple Ann Arbor, MI. The black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, then drove away and was followed under close and constant surveillance directly back to 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI.
23. On March 24, 2008, at 3:32 p.m., DEA was assisting the LPD and observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 driving away from 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI.
24. On March 24, 2008, at 3:34 p.m., LPD observed the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, arrive in the parking area of 4897 Cedarview, Ypsilanti, MI. LPD observed a Hispanic male wearing a black  $\frac{3}{4}$  length leather jacket and a black hat exit the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 and walk away out of sight. After a few moments the same Hispanic male returned to the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration

plate 2HZP92, got in, and drove away, followed under close and constant surveillance by the surveillance crew.

25. On March 24, 2008, at 3:44 p.m., the surveillance crew lost sight of the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 in area of Shire Ln. and Trotters Park, Ypsilanti, MI. As the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 entered the subdivision it made a couple of quick turns and disappeared. The surveillance crew held the exits to the subdivision and verified that the vehicle was not parked in the driveway of any residence and therefore must have been pulled into a garage.
26. On March 25, 2008 in the evening, members of the LPD established surveillance in the area of Trotters Park and Shire Lane in Ypsilanti, MI. LPD observed the black Honda, bearing Michigan license plate 2HZP92, exit the garage of 7912 Trotters Park Ypsilanti, MI. The surveillance crew followed the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 under close and constant surveillance to the area of 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI.
27. After approximately 30 minutes, P.O. McKinley observed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, leave 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI. The surveillance crew followed the black Honda bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92, under close and constant surveillance. The LPD observed the black Honda, bearing Michigan registration plate 2HZP92 arrive at the parking lot of 4897 Cedarview, Ypsilanti, MI.
28. After approximately 15 minutes, LPD observed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 leave the parking lot of 4897 Cedarview, Ypsilanti, MI. The surveillance crew followed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 under close and constant surveillance. LPD observed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 drive down the dirt road to 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI.
29. After approximately 10 minutes, LPD observed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 drive down the dirt road from 6368 Crane Ypsilanti, MI. and it was followed away under close and constant surveillance by the surveillance crew. LPD observed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 enter the driveway of the National Storage Center, located at 3060 Lohr Pittsfield, MI. LPD observed the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 drive to storage unit H32 and park. LPD observed a Hispanic male exit the 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan license plate 9JQK34 and opened storage unit H32. LPD P.O. Love and P.O. Donnelly approached the Hispanic male and identified him as Julio Duenas-Sanchez, DOB XX/XX/1986. Julio Duenas-Sanchez was placed under arrest for the Delivery of Marijuana to Martin Partida-Lopez outside the storage unit by the LPD. LPD P.O. Donnelly observed inside the storage unit another Ford Ranger that was running. P.O. Donnelly observed the bed liner bolts to be removed from the bed

of the truck. Truck bed liners are commonly used to hide controlled substances between the bed and the liner. Julio Duenas-Sanchez was found to be in the possession multiple entry keys, suspected to be of other locks for storage units.

30. DEA obtained Detroit Edison subscriber information by subpoena for 6368 Crane Road Ypsilanti, MI., which revealed the electrical service to be in the name Julio Sanchez.
31. In the early morning of March 26, 2008, LPD observed the Honda, bearing Michigan license plate 2HZP92 exit the garage of 7912 Trotters Park, Ypsilanti, MI. LPD also observed a 2002 Cadillac Escalade, bearing Michigan license plate BPJ8642, parked in the driveway of 7912 Trotters Park Ypsilanti, MI. The Honda, bearing Michigan license plate 2HZP92 drove away followed under close and constant surveillance by the LPD surveillance crew. LPD requested the assistance of Pittsfield Township PD and the Honda was stopped. The driver was identified as Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo, DOB XX/XX/1969, who had a valid FBI warrant entered in LEIN/NCIC for Delivery of Cocaine. Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo was placed under arrest for the warrant and for the Delivery of Marijuana to Martin Partida-Lopez and transported to the Livonia Police Department. Four cellular telephones and an ignition key that fit the vehicle that was occupied by Julio Duenas-Sanchez, were recovered from the vehicle of Gutierrez-Villavazo, which drove out of the garage at 7912 Trotters Park Ypsilanti, Michigan. Additionally, Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo initially identified himself as and provided identification for his brother, Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO, trying to conceal his true identity.
32. LPD P.O. Kingsbury prepared a search warrant affidavit for 7912 Trotters Park Ypsilanti, Michigan after the arrest of Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo. LPD re-established surveillance on 7912 Trotters Park, Ypsilanti, Michigan and he subsequently observed a 2002 Cadillac Escalade bearing Michigan license plate BPJ8642 back out of the driveway. LPD surveillance with the assistance of Pittsfield Township PD stopped the 2002 Cadillac Escalade to initiate a police citizen contact and conduct a field interview of the driver to determine her relationship to the residence and the federal fugitive, Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo. The driver was identified by LPD as being Luciana Herrea, DOB XX/XX/1978. During this interview, Luciana Herrea identified Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo as being her boyfriend with whom she resides with at 7912 Trotters Park Ypsilanti, Michigan.
33. The LPD has developed intelligence information indicating that Julio Duenas-Sanchez, Elias Gutierrez Villavazo, Jasiel Aleso Villarreal and their associates frequent the addresses of 4498 W. Pitch Pine Pittsfield Township, MI. and 4897 Cedarview Pittsfield Township, MI. On March 26, 2008, LPD received information from LPD Lt. McDermott in regards to the addresses of 4498 W. Pitch Pine Apartment 2B Pittsfield Township, MI. and 4897 Cedarview Apartment 3B Pittsfield Township, MI. Lt. McDermott stated that he spoke with

the manager of The Pines of Cloverlane Apartments. The manager informed Lt. McDermott that 4897 Cedarview Apartment 3B was currently leased to an individual named Sylvestre Jiminez Sandoval an Hispanic Male DOB XX/XX/1981. The manager informed Lt. McDermott 4498 W. Pitch Pine Apartment 2B Pittsfield Township, MI was leased to Ramon Manuel Isiordia-Morales. The manger further stated to Lt. McDermott that Sylvestre Jiminez Sandoval had filed an emergency contact name of Ramon Manuel Isiordia-Morales with the apartment's management.

34. On March 26, 2008, LPD Lt. McDermott had taken keys recovered from the person of Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo to compare them with the master keys in the manager's office. Lt. McDermott and the manager both agreed that the keys that Elias Gutierrez-Villavazo had been in possession of matched the front common door and apartment door keys for 4498 W. Pitch Pine Apartment 2B Pittsfield Township, Michigan. After his arrest, Julio Duenas-Sanchez told Lt. McDermott that he visits a friend at 4897 Cedarview, but that he does not know the name or apartment number. Julio Duenas-Sanchez stated that he has only been to 4897 Cedarview a few times.
35. On March 26, 2008 at approximately 1:00 a.m., LPD observed a subject later identified as Jasiel Aleso Villarreal DOB XX/XX/1984 exit 4897 Cedarview and get into a 2000 Lincoln white in color bearing Michigan license plate BWV0869 registered to Carlos Alfonso Menjivar-Lopez at 571 Woodlawn Ave. Ypsilanti, Michigan. The vehicle was followed away and then stopped by Livonia K-9 P.O. Ostrowski along with Ann Arbor Police uniform officers who initiated a police citizen contact and conducted a field interview with the driver Jasiel Aleso Villarreal who was found to be operating the vehicle without an operator's license. Villarreal denied any knowledge of 4897 Cedarview even though he had been observed leaving the building. Jasiel Aleso Villarreal also had two keys on his keychain that he stated he had no idea what they were for. The keys were compared by Lt. McDermott and the manager to the master key for building 4987 Cedarview and Apartment 3B and both agreed that the keys that Jasiel Aleso Villarreal had on his person matched the front common door and apartment door keys for 4897 Cedarview Apartment 3B, Pittsfield Township, MI.
36. On March 26, 2008 a search warrant was executed at National Storage Center Unit #H32 located at 3060 Lohr, Pittsfield Township, MI. This is the location where Julio Duenas-Sanchez was arrested. A large amount of bundled United States Currency was located and seized by LPD at that location in the wheel well areas of a 2001 Ford Ranger bearing Michigan registration plate BNA3807 which is registered to Ramon Manuel Isiordia-Morales at 1515 Ridge Rd Lot # 256 Ypsilanti, Michigan 48198 that was parked in the storage shed.
37. On March 26, 2008, throughout the entire day, State of Michigan Search Warrants were executed on five residences and six self storage lockers at three storage facilities. The following details the locations searched and items seized:

38. From 6368 Crane, Pittsfield Township, approximately 160 pounds of marijuana, money counter, miscellaneous documents, a food vacuum sealer, a loaded Smith and Wesson revolver .45 colt, six shot, model 25-9, SN: BEV1963, manufactured in Springfield, Mass, approximately \$2,500.00 USC and four vehicles which included two vans that contained bundles of marijuana and a black two door Acura. The Acura was later searched at the LPD during the nighttime hours of March 27, 2008. During the search, LPD located two trap compartments in the rear passenger compartment of the vehicle which contained approximately 7,000 grams of cocaine. All the cocaine and marijuana from several locations was tested by the LPD which tested positive for presence cocaine and marijuana. Additionally, Carlos Francisco VASQUEZ VALERIANO was arrested at the residence.
39. From 7912 Trotters Park, Ypsilanti, a small amount of United States Currency was seized in addition to miscellaneous documents.
40. From 1035 N. Maple Road, Ann Arbor, approximately five pounds of marijuana, packaging materials, approximately \$4,000.00 USC, and miscellaneous documents.
41. From 4498 W. Pitch Pine Apartment #2B, Township of Pittsfield, was approximately \$13,000.00 USC, packaging materials, and miscellaneous documents. Additionally, Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO was arrested just prior to the execution of the search warrant at 4498 W. Pitch Pine, as he left the residence.
42. From 4897 Cedarview Apartment #3B, Township of Pittsfield, was over a dozen cellular telephones laid out in a suitcase powered on and charging with names or marking on the back of each phone, miscellaneous documents and approximately \$13,000.00 USC. Additionally, Ramon Manuel ISIORDIA was arrested at this location.
43. From Maple Village Self Storage Unit #805 located at 415 N. Maple, City of Ann Arbor, approximately 100 pounds of marijuana, and packaging materials.
44. From National Storage Center, Unit #H32, 3060 Lohr, Township of Pittsfield, was approximately \$493,670.00 USC hidden inside the wheel wells of the bed of a 2001 Ford Ranger. Additionally, Julio Adrian DUENAS-SANCHEZ was arrested at this location while working on the bolts of the bed of the truck.
45. During the afternoon and nighttime hours of March 27, 2008, DEA and LPD interviewed the individuals arrested who are as follows: Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO, Julio Adrian DUENAS SANCHEZ, Carlos Francisco VASQUEZ VALERIANO, Jasiel Alejo VILLARREAL SILVA, Ramon Manuel ISIORDIA, and Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO.

46. Throughout the course of interviews with the above listed defendants, all defendants agreed to speak with law enforcement and waived their Miranda rights except for Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO.
47. Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO admitted that his role in the organization was to count money for the sale of narcotics at 6368 Crane, and that he was illegally in the United States from Mexico and that he has observed a bale of marijuana at 6368 Crane.
48. Julio Adrian DUENAS SANCHEZ admitted that he sold the marijuana to an individual and stated that he was just at the storage unit tightening the bolt on the truck. DUENAS SANCHEZ additionally stated that the marijuana located at the residence of 1035 N Maple, Ann Arbor, was his marijuana for distribution and that he was illegally in the United States from Mexico.
49. Carlos Francisco VASQUEZ VALERIANO admitted that his role in the organization was a money counter for the sale of narcotics and that he would additionally pick up money from various individuals and that he was illegally in the United States from Mexico.
50. Jasiel Alejo VILLARREAL SILVA admitted that his role in the organization was to take care of the phones for the organization at 4897 Cedarview Apartment #3B and that he was illegally in the United States from Mexico.
51. Ramon Manuel ISIORDIA stated that he was at the residence of 4897 Cedarview Apartment #3B to watch the apartment and was going to be paid to do so. ISIDORIA additionally stated that he thought something was going on when he observed the large quantity of cell phones in the apartment and that he was illegally in the United States from Mexico.
52. Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO declined to make any statements and stated that he was a United States citizen since approximately 2003.
53. Throughout the course of interviews, DEA and LPD identified individuals with intimate knowledge of the hierarchy of this investigation, who are identified as DEA-1, DEA-2, and DEA-3 respectively. The information that DEA-1, DEA-2 and DEA-3 is listed as follows.
54. DEA-1 stated that Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO is the leader of the organization and will pay individuals for their work in the organization and is additionally known as "PERRO". DEA-1 additionally stated that Julio Adrian DUENAS SANCHEZ, aka "DENG", is a driver of cocaine, marijuana and money for the organization and has observed this. DEA-1 stated that Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO, aka "EL-GATO", is a money counter for the organization for the sale of narcotics and he has authority in the organization.

DEA-1 additionally provided information that there were hidden compartments located several vehicles. This was corroborated by the seizure of 7,000 grams of cocaine that was seized from the black Acura located at 6368 Crane.

55. DEA-2 stated that there was an additional storage facility in the area of New Buffalo, Michigan that may be near the Indiana border. Agents verified this information and located the storage facility of Premier Storage, 9845 N. Old Buffalo rd, La Porte, Indiana. DEA-2 additionally stated that Julio Adrian DUENAS SANCHEZ, with aka "DENG", is a driver for the organization. DEA-2 additionally stated that Ramon Manuel ISIORDIA was a driver for the organization and would watch the phones for the organization.
56. DEA-3 stated that Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO receives thousand pound quantities of marijuana and ten kilograms of cocaine at a time for the organization.
57. A check through law enforcement indices indicates that Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO has an active warrant for "Cocaine-Sell" through the FBI in Miami, FL, NCIC #W372987701 dated June 6, 2007.
58. Based on your Affiant's training and experience and on the facts detailed herein, your Affiant believes that there is probable cause to believe that Ernesto Gutierrez VILLAVAZO, Julio Adrian DUENAS SANCHEZ, Carlos Francisco VASQUEZ VALERIANO, Jasiel Alejo VILLARREAL SILVA, Ramon Manuel ISIORDIA, and Elias GUTIERREZ-VILLAVAZO have committed offenses in violation of Title 21 USC 841(a)(1) and 846.



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Special Agent Michael Johns  
Drug Enforcement Administration

Sworn and Subscribed to before me  
This 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008



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Honorable R. Steven Whalen  
United States Magistrate Judge